

Tuesday, February 24, 2004

**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 381B
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

9:30 AM

Present: Supervisor Gloria Molina, Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke,
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich and
Chairman Don Knabe

Invocation led by Pastor Carlos Paiva, Angelica Finnish Lutheran Church, Los
Angeles (2).

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joseph N. Smith, Director, Military and Veterans
Affairs Department (4).

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION
AND THE BOARD TOOK ACTIONS AS INDICATED IN BOLD .**

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NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Susan Rodde, et al. v. Diana Bonta, County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. CV 03 1580

Harris et al. v. Board of Supervisors et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 08 1860; United States District Court Case No. CV 03 2008

Union of American Physicians and Dentists, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 083 853

These lawsuits challenge the closure of Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center and High Desert Hospital, and alleged curtailments at LAC+USC Medical Center and MLK/Drew Medical Center. (03-1392)

NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN

CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (twelve cases) (04-0152)

NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (one case) (04-0462)

NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN

CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (one case) (03-1606)

NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN

CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (one case) (04-0532)

CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2004.

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Absent: None

Vote: Common Consent

CS-6.CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Initiation of litigation (one case) (04-0105)

NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN

CS-7.CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: David E. Janssen, Chief Administrative Officer, and designated staff

Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: The Coalition of County Unions, AFL-CIO; Local 660, SEIU, AFL-CIO; Union of American Physicians and Dentists; Guild For Professional Pharmacists; Peace Officers Counsel of California; Association of Public Defender Investigators; and Los Angeles County Association of Environmental Health Specialists; and

Unrepresented employees (all) (03-2515)

NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN

S-1. Confer with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation (one case), pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9 as it relates to the report by the Director of Children and Family Services regarding a corrective action plan and recommendations to help prevent similar situations as reported in the Children's Services Inspector General's investigation into the death of Ivan M., a child who had been reported to the Department of Children and Family Services for possible abuse and neglect. (04-0637)

SEE AGENDA NO. S-1 THIS DATE

SET MATTERS

9:30 a.m.

Presentation of scroll to Director Freddie Williams and Members of the Civic Center Choir, in celebration of Black History Month and the Civic Center Choir's 35th Anniversary, as arranged by Supervisors Knabe and Burke.

Presentation of scroll to Fire Chief P. Michael Freeman on behalf of the more than 2,500 Los Angeles County Fire Department personnel commending them on their heroic efforts in helping to contain and extinguish eight major wildfires that ravaged Los Angeles County and Southern California from October 21, 2003 to November 15, 2003, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of scrolls to the corporate sponsors of Supervisor Antonovich's 7th Annual Foster Youth Holiday Party for foster children from the Department of Children and Family Services held at Six Flags Magic Mountain on December 6, 2003, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of scroll to Bob Scott congratulating him on being the recipient of the 2003 Fernando Award, which honors outstanding leadership in the San Fernando Valley, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of pets to the television audience for the County's Pet Adoption Program, as arranged by Supervisor Antonovich.

Presentation of scroll to Antonia Hernandez for her many years as President and General Counsel of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, as arranged by Supervisor Molina.

Presentation of scroll to James Haughton, MD, Public Health Medical Director, Department of Health Services, upon his retirement and in recognition of more than sixteen years of professional service to the people of the County of Los Angeles, as arranged by Supervisor Burke.

Presentation of scrolls to various supermarkets, the Department of Community and Senior Services' Emergency One-Stop Team and the Los Angeles Police Department's Communication Division - 911 Operators, in recognition of their outstanding community service during the freak storm that hit Los Angeles on November 12, 2003, as arranged by Supervisor Burke. (04-0012)

S-1. 11:00 a.m.

Report by the Director of Children and Family Services regarding a corrective action plan and recommendations to help prevent similar situations as reported in the Children's Services Inspector General's investigation into the death of Ivan M., a child who had been reported to the Department of Children and Family Services for possible abuse and neglect, as requested by the Board at the meeting of February 10, 2004. (04-0555)

REPORT GIVEN BY DR. DAVID B. SANDERS, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES.

MERRITT HOLLOWAY, WARREN WILLIAMS, MELANA LUKE ELIAS, MICHAEL R. BAUER, SHIRLEY FARRIOR, MARY SUE LEWIS, CANDACE OWEN, AND DIANE S. ADDRESSED THE BOARD.

FOLLOWING THE REPORT, THE CHAIRMAN REFERRED CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSION OF THE DIRECTOR'S AFOREMENTIONED REPORT TO CLOSED SESSION, PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (B) OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION [ONE CASE]).

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Absent: None

Vote: Common Consent

PUBLIC HEARINGS 1 - 6

1. Sale at public auction of County-owned surplus real property located at 2300 San Marco Dr., Hollywood (3), at a minimum bid of \$225,000. (04-0140)

THE BOARD TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

1. **AWARDED THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY AND THE COUNTY'S RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST TO BEHZAD FORAT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000.00.**
2. **INSTRUCTED THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE QUITCLAIM DEED UPON PRESENTATION;**
3. **AUTHORIZED THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION; AND**
4. **INSTRUCTED THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DEPOSIT THE FIRST \$175,275 OF THE SALE PROCEEDS INTO AN ACCOUNT ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION WITH ANY REMAINING PROCEEDS TO BE DEPOSITED INTO THE ASSET DEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION FUND AS DIRECTED BY THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 2.Hearing on annexation of Tentative Parcel Map 26215 to County Lighting Maintenance District 1687 and County Lighting District LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone (5), and to levy and collect annual assessments within the annexed territory for street lighting purposes, with a base annual assessment rate of \$5 for a single-family home for Fiscal Year 2004-05; also adoption of Joint Resolution approving and accepting the exchange of property tax revenues resulting from the annexation of territories. (03-3509)

THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING; INSTRUCTED THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD TO TABULATE THE ASSESSMENT BALLOT SUBMITTED, AND NOT WITHDRAWN, IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS FOR TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP 26215 IN COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE; AND TABLED THE MATTER FOR LATER IN THE MEETING FOR A REPORT ON THE TABULATION OF THE BALLOT AND DECISION.

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Absent: None

Vote: Common Consent

THE BOARD TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS AFTER THE REPORT BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD:

- 1. DETERMINED THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS ON SUBDIVISION TERRITORY (PARCEL MAP 26215) WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE;**
- 2. MADE A FINDING THAT THE ANNEXATION, ASSESSMENT, AND PROPERTY TAX REVENUES ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING OPERATING EXPENSES, PURCHASING SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT OR MATERIALS; MEETING FINANCIAL RESERVE NEEDS AND REQUIREMENTS; AND OBTAINING FUNDS FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF STREET LIGHTS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN SERVICE WITHIN THE ANNEXED AREAS;**
- 3. ADOPTED THE RESOLUTION ORDERING ANNEXATION OF APPROVED TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP 26215 (PROJECT 53-303) TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE; AND THE LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANNEXED SUBDIVISION TERRITORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004-05; AND**
- 4. ADOPTED THE JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION OF SUBDIVISION TERRITORY, PARCEL MAP 26215 TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, EFFECTIVE FOLLOWING THE FILING OF SUBDIVISION MAPS WITH THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK AND CONFORMANCE OF THE MAPS.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 3. Hearing on annexation of 17 parcels to the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District, Annexation Nos. 23-02 through 39-02, within unincorporated territories and the Cities**

of Palmdale and Santa Clarita (5); and the levying of annual assessments within the annexed territories for Fiscal Year 2005-06; also find that action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. (04-0092)

THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- 1. MADE A FINDING THAT THE PARCELS PROPOSED TO BE ANNEXED WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION; DETERMINED THAT SAID ACTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, MADE A FINDING THAT THE ANNEXATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS ARE TO MEET OPERATIONAL EXPENSES TO MAINTAIN SERVICE WITHIN THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION AREAS;**
- 2. ORDERED THAT THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT BE ALTERED TO INCLUDE SUCH BENEFITED PARCELS AND ORDERED THE LEVYING OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WITHIN THE ANNEXED PARCELS TO BE EFFECTIVE FISCAL YEAR 2005-06; AND**
- 3. INSTRUCTED THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO FILE THE NECESSARY STATEMENT OF BOUNDARY CHANGE WITH THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND THE COUNTY ASSESSOR.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 4. Hearing on expansion of the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program which will allow for the continuation and expansion of the Program at nine signalized intersections, which includes six additional intersections to enable the California Highway Patrol to detect and cite motorists who violate red light indicators in order to improve traffic safety (All Districts); also find that the proposed expansion of the program is categorically exempt from the Environmental Guidelines approved by the Board. (04-0392)**

THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- 1. MADE A FINDING THAT THE EXPANSION OF THE AUTOMATED RED LIGHT PHOTO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL GUIDELINES APPROVED BY THE BOARD; AND**
- 2. APPROVED THE USE OF A PHOTO RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM AT SIX ADDITIONAL SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS IDENTIFIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 5. Hearing on the purchase of 15 acres of unimproved real property located in the unincorporated Cold Creek area of the Santa Monica Mountains (3), from the Mountains Restoration Trust in the amount of \$92,000 plus escrow costs and related fees, from grant funds received from the State Habitat Conservation Fund Program; also approve and instruct Chairman to sign amendment to 55-year Management Agreement with Mountains Restoration Trust, to manage, control, and maintain this property along with the adjoining 33 acres of County-owned property. (04-0273)**

THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- 1. CONSUMMATED THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED COLD CREEK AREA OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS (3) FROM THE MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST, IN AMOUNT OF \$92,000;**
- 2. AUTHORIZED THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO COMPLETE THE TRANSFER OF TITLE TO THE COUNTY; AND TO ACCEPT THE GRANT DEED CONVEYING THE TITLE TO THE COUNTY;**
- 3. AUTHORIZED THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND/OR THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DEPOSIT FUNDS INTO AN ESCROW ACCOUNT WITH CHICAGO TITLE COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE PLUS AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000 FOR ESCROW, TITLE INSURANCE AND RELATED COSTS;**

- 4. INSTRUCTED THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO AGREEMENT NO. 72551 WITH THE MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST ADDING PROPERTY UNDER THE AGREEMENT; AND**
- 5. REQUESTED THE COUNTY ASSESSOR TO REMOVE THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM THE TAX ROLL EFFECTIVE UPON CLOSE OF ESCROW.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- 6. Combined hearing on the following zoning matters and Negative Declaration relating to property located at 5144 Walnut Grove Avenue, San Gabriel, East San Gabriel Zoned District, petitioned by Christopher Sutton for Tom Schiffilea. (Appeal from Regional Planning Commission's denial) (04-0321)**

No Change of Zone Case No. 01-267-(5), from R-A and R-A-P to M-1-DP

Conditional Use Permit Case No. 01-267-(5), to authorize the construction and maintenance of an industrial building to be used for warehousing, light manufacturing and assembly

THE BOARD CLOSED THE HEARING AND TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- 1. INDICATED ITS INTENT TO GRANT THE APPEAL AND APPROVE ZONE CHANGE AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NOS. 01-267-(5);**
- 2. DIRECTED COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY ORDINANCE;**
- 3. DIRECTED THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING TO WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL TO DRAFT THE APPROPRIATE FINDINGS AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF THE LIMITATIONS ON THE HOURS OF OPERATION; AND**
- 4. DIRECTED THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ON ADDRESSING PROBLEMS WITH TRUCKS PARKING IN THE AREA.**

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (Committee of Whole) 7 - 12

7. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Knabe: Waive fees totalling \$3,400, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of various courtrooms and parking facilities at the Stanley Mosk Courthouse located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, by the USC Mock Trial Team for the regional qualifying tournament for the American Mock Trial Association's National Intercollegiate Mock Trial Competition, held February 21, 2004. (04-0551)

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

8. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Direct the Director of Mental Health to work with County Counsel and the Auditor-Controller to develop a provisional payment schedule for Fee-For-Service providers until the Department of Mental Health's internal system is fully functional and report back to the Board within 14 days; also establish a Technical Assistance Workgroup that includes the Internal Services Department and Fee-For-Service providers to create a plan to improve technical assistance and effective communications about Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) compliance, billing and payment processes. (04-0545)

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

9. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to identify the source for the \$64,260 necessary for running the Antelope Valley Self-Help Legal Access Center three days a week, with the remaining two days funded through a grant from the California State Bar; also direct the Director of Consumer Affairs, as the program administrator, to work with Neighborhood Legal Services and the Superior Court to identify the best and most expeditious manner in which to incorporate the Antelope Valley Self-Help Legal Access Center into its existing agreement with Neighborhood Legal Services; and report back to the Board within one week with a joint report. (04-0554)

APPROVED

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

10. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Extend the \$10,000 reward offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of 21-year-old Jannet Hair who was struck and killed by a 1994-99 Chevrolet or GMC pick-up or Sports Utility Vehicle traveling westbound on Avenue O, near 155th Street in Lancaster, when she stopped to assist a cat in the roadway on Sunday, November 30, 2003 at approximately 9:00 p.m. (03-3506)

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

11. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Waive permit fees in amount of \$3,600, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of the Michael D. Antonovich Antelope Valley Courthouse for the Antelope Valley Union High School District's Mock Trials, to be held March 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2004. (04-0550)

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

12. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Waive fees in amount of \$150, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for facility rental fees for Farnsworth Park, for the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Greater Pasadena's Easter Sunrise Service, to be held April 11, 2004. (04-0540)

APPROVED

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (Committee of Whole) 13

- 13.** Joint recommendation with the Director of Mental Health: Authorize the refurbishment of the former Florence-Firestone Health Center, located at 8019 S. Compton Ave., Los Angeles (2), to house the South Los Angeles Family Services Program, to provide vital mental health services for children, adolescents, families and adults, including basic outpatient services, intensive day treatment, therapeutic behavioral services, school-based services and CalWORKs services to the community; establish Capital Project (C.P.) No. 86635, and approve the project budget of \$500,000; approve appropriation adjustment to transfer \$500,000 from the Department of Mental Health Fiscal Year 2003-04 adopted budget to C.P. No. 86635 to fund the project; and find that project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. (04-0542)

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

BEACHES AND HARBORS (3 and 4) 14

- 14.** Recommendation: Consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for Phase II of the Marina Beach Water Quality Improvement Project, C.P. 69219 (4), as well as the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program incorporated therein, together with any comments received during the public review process; find that the project, with implementation of the proposed mitigation measures, will not have a significant effect on the environment, and that the MND reflects the independent judgment of the County; approve the MND and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; adopt resolution authorizing application for the remainder of the Clean Beaches, Proposition 13, Coastal Nonpoint Source Program Grant in amount of \$1,750,000, administered by the State Water Resources Control Board, for the Marina Beach Water Quality Improvement Project, also appointing and authorizing the Director as agent of the County to sign the State agreement and all documents pertaining to the grant and to accept the grant; and approve Phase II of the Marina Beach Water Quality Improvement Project. (04-0553)

ADOPTED

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES (1) 15

- 15.** Recommendation: Approve appropriation adjustment in amount of \$521,000 to recognize an increased State allocation and resultant costs for the newly authorized Compromise of Arrears Program which was authorized by AB 1752. **4-VOTES** (04-0539)

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

HEALTH SERVICES (Committee of Whole) 16 - 17

- 16.** Revised recommendation: Authorize the Director of Health Services to execute four agreements with the following contractors for HIV/AIDS food services, with the following service providers, for a total maximum obligation of \$2,040,000, effective March 1, 2004 through February 28, 2005, with two automatic renewals through February 28, 2007: (Continued from meeting of 2-17-04 at the request of the Director of Health Services) (04-0510)

AIDS Project Los Angeles
AIDS Service Center
Bienestar Human Services, Inc.
Project Angel Food

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

17. Recommendation: Approve and instruct the Director to sign amendments to agreements with Associated Record Technician Services, Hospital Employee Labor Pool, Jenn International, Inc., and Ladera Career Paths to extend the terms for 12 months for the continued provision of medical coding and abstracting services, at a total estimated cost of \$11,730,984, effective February 29, 2004 through February 28, 2005, pending completion of a Request for Proposals process. (Continued from meeting of 2-17-04 at the request of the Chief Administrative Officer)

Also consideration of Supervisor Yaroslavsky's substitute recommendation: Refer the Director of Health Services' recommendation back to the Department of Health Services; approve and instruct the Director of Health Services to sign amendments extending, on a month-to-month basis for up to four months, agreements with Associated Record Technician Services, Hospital Employee Labor Pool, Jenn International, Inc., and Ladera Career Paths, for continued provision of medical records coding and abstracting services at Department of Health Services' facilities; and approve the following related actions: (Continued from meeting of 2-17-04 at the request of the Chief Administrative Officer) (04-0516)

Instruct the Chief Administrative Officer, County Counsel and the Directors of Health Services and Personnel to do the following and report back to the Board within 120 days: a) perform a study of the County's medical records coder classifications and provide compensation recommendations to the Board; and b) analyze the adequacy of the medical records coder training program in training permanent County staff to assume the range and breadth of medical records coding and abstracting required at the County's medical facilities; and

Instruct the Director of Health Services, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer and County Counsel, to prepare and submit to the Board, within 120 days, a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Medical Records Coding and Abstracting Services and a timeline for the RFP process, including a recommendation and justification for further extensions of the current contracts if needed.

APPROVED SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDATION

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

PUBLIC WORKS (4) 18

18. Joint recommendation with the Chief Administrative Officer: Approve appropriation adjustment to establish the Michael D. Antonovich Antelope Valley Courthouse Cafeteria Project, Specs. 4812A, C.P. No. 86633 (5), for a total project budget of \$3,394,000 funded by interest earnings on bond proceeds from the debt issuance of Certification of Participation - Antelope Valley Courthouse Project; and authorize the Director to design, renovate and deliver the proposed cafeteria project. (Continued from meeting of 2-17-04 at the request of Supervisor Yaroslavsky) **4-VOTES** (04-0465)

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION 19

19. Ordinance for adoption amending the County Code, Title 3 - Advisory Commissions and Committees, to repeal Chapter 3.04 in its entirety, thereby discontinuing the Adult Day Health Care Planning Council. (04-0526)

ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 2004-0011. THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT MARCH 25, 2004

[See Supporting Document](#)

[See Final Action](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

MISCELLANEOUS

20. Additions to the agenda requested by Board members and the Chief Administrative Officer, which were posted more than 72 hours in advance of the meeting, as indicated on the green supplemental agenda.

20-A. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Knabe: Waive fees in amount of \$175, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for use of courtroom space at the Stanley Mosk Courthouse located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, for the Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, on February 27, 2004. (04-0593)

APPROVED

[See Supporting Document](#)

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

20-B. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Proclaim April 20, 2004 as "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day" throughout Los Angeles County; instruct the Director of Personnel to forward the "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day" organizing kits from the Ms. Foundation for Women, to all Department Heads; also encourage all Department Heads to participate by creating plans for their departments and forwarding the plans to the Director of Personnel for informational purposes; encourage all employees to take a girl and/or boy, age 9 through 16, to work on April 20, 2004; and authorize placement of a notice about "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day" in the paychecks of all County employees on March 15, 2004. (04-0590)

APPROVED

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

20-C. Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Burke: Proclaim February 2004 as "Black History Month" throughout Los Angeles County; and encourage County employees to attend the February 26th African American Heritage Committee's program entitled, "The Black Church: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" celebration at 10:00 a.m. in the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Board Hearing Room 381B. (04-0592)

APPROVED

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Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

21. Items not on the posted agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda. BOARD MEMBERS - (3)

Introduced for discussion and placed on the agenda of Wednesday, March 3, 2004 for consideration:

Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Yaroslavsky: Oppose President Bush's amendment to the United States Constitution that would have the effect of prohibiting same-sex marriages nationwide. (04-0607)

[See Supporting Document](#)

Recommendation as submitted by Supervisor Antonovich: Proclaim March 7, 2004 as "Magic of Adoption Day" throughout Los Angeles County, and urge all citizens interested in adoption to contact the Department of Children and Family Services at (888) 811-1121. (04-0598)

[See Supporting Document](#)

24. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

UKO BENJAMIN ESSIEN AND LEONARD W. ROSE, JR. ADDRESSED THE BOARD. (04-0605)

Administrative Request

Supervisor Yaroslavsky requested County Counsel to report back to the Board on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, regarding several issues as they relate to same-sex marriages, and the responsibility of Los Angeles County and the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in regards to this issue. (04-0618)

25. Adjourning Motions

On motions duly seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned in memory of the following persons:

Supervisor Molina and All Board Members

Frank Del Olmo

Supervisor Burke

Willie Mae Adkins

Charles "Cab" Caballero

Thelma Cole

Sister Willie Pearl Esters

Gregory John Gabriel

(Special scroll presented during the meeting to

Ms. Ethel Dryer, aunt of Mr. Gabriel)

Diane Jean Henderson

Thelma Rose Mitchell

Supervisor Yaroslavsky

Al Jeffries

Seville Porush

Supervisor Knabe and All Board Members

Sybil Brand
Officer Ricardo Lizarraga

Supervisors Knabe and Antonovich

Mary Alvarez

Supervisor Knabe

Juanita Buell
Timothy O'Donnell

Supervisor Antonovich

Lucille Ashjian
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26. Open Session adjourned to Closed Session at 1:12 p.m. following Board Order No. 25 to:

CS-1.

Confer with legal counsel on the following existing litigation, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9:

Susan Rodde, et al. v. Diana Bonta, County of Los Angeles et al., United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. CV 03 1580

Harris et al. v. Board of Supervisors et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 08 1860; United States District Court Case No. CV 03 2008

Union of American Physicians and Dentists, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 083 853

These lawsuits challenge the closure of Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center and High Desert Hospital, and alleged curtailments at LAC+USC Medical Center and MLK/Drew Medical Center. (03-1392)

CS-2.

Confer with legal counsel, regarding significant exposure to litigation (twelve cases),

pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9. (04-0152)

CS-3.

Confer with legal counsel, regarding significant exposure to litigation (one case), pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9. (04-0462)

CS-4.

Confer with legal counsel, regarding significant exposure to litigation (one case), pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9. (03-1606)

CS-6.

Confer with legal counsel, regarding initiation of litigation (one case), pursuant to subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9. (04-0105)

CS-7.

Confer with labor negotiators, Chief Administrative Officer David E. Janssen and designated staff, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6:

Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: The Coalition of County Unions, AFL-CIO; Local 660, SEIU, AFL-CIO; Union of American Physicians and Dentists; Guild For Professional Pharmacists; Peace Officers Counsel of California; Association of Public Defender Investigators; and Los Angeles County Association of Environmental Health Specialists; and

Unrepresented employees (all) (03-2515)

S-1.

Confer with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation (one case), pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9 as it relates to the report by the Director of Children and Family Services regarding a corrective action plan and recommendations to help prevent similar situations as reported in the Children's Services Inspector General's investigation into the death of Ivan M., a child who had been reported to the Department of Children and Family Services for possible abuse and neglect.

Closed Session convened at 1:27 p.m. Present were Supervisors Gloria Molina, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Zev Yaroslavsky, Michael D. Antonovich and Don Knabe, Chairman presiding.

Closed Session adjourned at 3:02 p.m. Present were Supervisors Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Zev Yaroslavsky, Michael D. Antonovich and Don Knabe, Chairman presiding. Absent was Supervisor Gloria Molina.

On motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being absent), the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts, adjourned its meeting following Board Order No. 25 at 3:02 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will

be Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. (04-0617)

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the meeting held February 24, 2004, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Executive Officer-Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors